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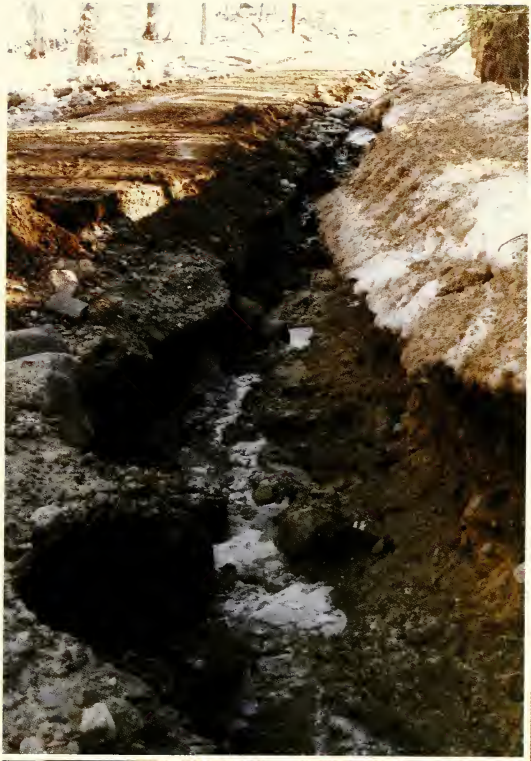
1995 ANNUAL REPORT



These pictures show damage done to Hackleboro and Sunset Hill Roads in January. The heavy rains and 50° to 60° warm weather, which melted three to five feet of the great abundance of snow received, caused the Beaver Dam in that area to collapse. This is the reason for the increase in the highway budget for road sand supply.

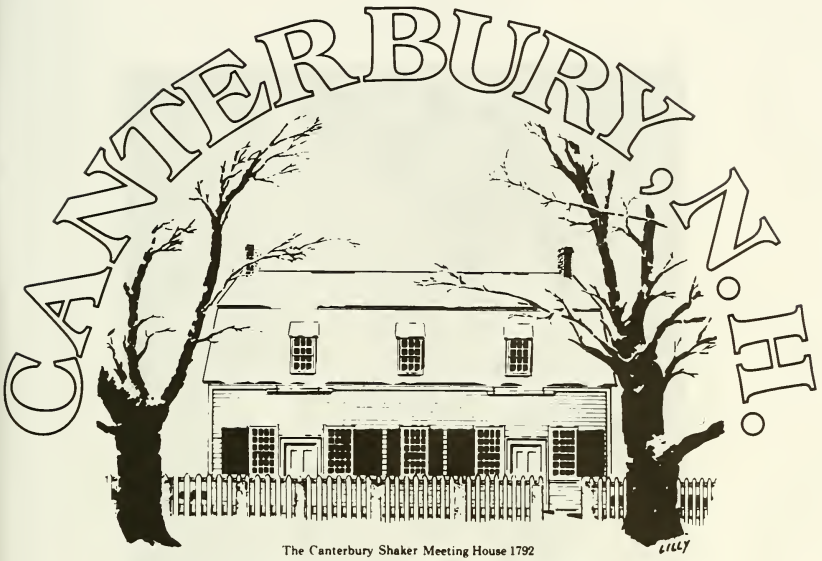
Photos taken by
Jacob Flagg, III of the highway crew

TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE
TOWN OF CANTERBURY

The warrant article to vote on the budget was inadvertently omitted from this year's Town warrant. Action on the budget WILL be taken at the March 15 meeting to be held at the Canterbury Elementary School at 7:00 p. m.

Board of Selectmen
Town of Canterbury

ANNUAL REPORTS OF THE TOWN OFFICERS OF THE TOWN OF



The Canterbury Shaker Meeting House 1792

HANDS TO WORK AND HEARTS TO GOD

SETTLED 1727

COMPRISING THOSE OF THE SELECTMEN, TREASURER,
TOWN CLERK, TAX COLLECTOR,
HEALTH OFFICER, ROAD AGENT,
LIBRARY TRUSTEES, TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS,
PLANNING BOARD, BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT,
CONSERVATION COMMISSION,
HISTORICAL COMMISSION, HISTORICAL SOCIETY,
POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS.

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1995

Dedication

This 1995 Annual Report
of the Town of Canterbury, New Hampshire
is dedicated to

SEWALL AND NORMA SMITH

in return for

their *dedication* to Town, Church and Civic affairs for nearly 50 years.

Sewall and Norma were married in 1945. They began their long tenure of community service in the early 1950s and continued it when they moved here permanently in 1981, after living in Puerto Rico for 14 years. They worked on the original Canterbury Fair in 1959, and Sewall became its Treasurer in 1983, a position in which he still serves. He has also been elected Town Treasurer and Treasurer of the Canterbury United Community Church for many years. In addition to being active in civic organizations, Norma has served for several years as ballot clerk for as many as five elections in a single year. If voluntary service is any measure of how much individuals care about their community, Sewall and Norma certainly set a high standard.

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TOWN OFFICERS
(Elected)

Selectmen (3 Yrs.)
Earl W. Hall, Chairman (1996)
John S. Pratt (1997)
Priscilla Lockwood (1998)

Town Clerk/Tax Collector (3 Yrs.)
Cheryl A. Gordon (1998)

Treasurer (1 Yr.)
Sewall C. Smith (1996)

Moderator (2 Yrs.)
Oliver Fifield (1996)

School Board (3 Yrs.)
Peter McDonald (1997)
Mary Jo Haney (1997)

Planning Board (3 Yrs.)
Daniel Crean, Chairman (1996)
James Bassett, Vice-Chair (1998)
Dale Spaulding (1996)
Graham Chynoweth (1997)
Laurie Rauseo (1997)
James Stokes (1998)
John S. Pratt, Selectmen's Representative
Alternates:
Michael Capone (1996)
Ronald Corriveau (1997)
Frank Rivet (1998)

Cemetery Committee (3 Yrs.)
Virginia Dudley (1998)
Hugh R. Fifield (1997)
Charles Dubois (1996)

Supervisors of Checklist (6 Yrs.)
Brenda Murray (1996)
Mary Ann Winograd (1998)
Marcia Scarponi (2000)

Library Trustees (3 Yrs.)
Emily Eddy, Chairperson (1998)
Simon Leeming, Co-Treas. (1997)
Elizabeth Kaminski, Secretary (1997)
Karla Roth, Co-Treas. (1998)
Philip Holmes (1996)
Claudia Leidinger (1996)
Susan Buchholz (1998)

Trustee of Trust Funds (3 Yrs.)
Kent Ruesswick, Chairman (1996)
Nancy Lilly (1997)
Marcia Scarponi (1998)

State Representatives
Robert Lockwood-Canterbury
Stephen Adams-Pittsfield
Jack Willis-Loudon
Henry Martin Boermeester-Pittsfield

State Senator
David Currier-Henniker

TOWN OFFICERS
(Appointed)

Clerk of the Board
Jean H. Bezanson

Assistant Clerk of the Board
Kathryn K. Dickson

Road Agent
Phillp K. Stone, Jr.

Police
Harry Heath, Chief
Henry Greemore, Officer
Charles Duclos, Officer

Health Officer
Dr. Ellen Bassett

Fire Warden/Civil Defense Director
Dale Caswell

Deputy Town Clerk
Kathryn K. Dickson

Budget Committee (3 Yrs.)
Mary Ellen Fifield (1996)
George Glines (1996)
Frank Tupper (1998)
Kenneth Sorlin (1998)
Robert Buchholz (1997)
Sewall Smith (1997)
Andrew Scanlon (1997)

Board of Adjustment (3 Yrs.)
Joseph Halla, Chairman (1997)
Philip Cochrane (1997)
David Scanlon (1998)
Kent Ruesswick (1998)
Kenneth Sorlin (1998)
Alternates:
Michael Winograd (1998)
Robert Buchholz (1998)
Webster Stout (1998)

Conservation Commission (3 Yrs.)
Robert Fife, Chairman (1998)
Kenneth Stern (1996)
David Rauseo (1996)
Robert Quinn (1998)
Paul Sanborn (1998)
Peter Hofman (1997)
Alternates:
Teresa C. Wyman (1996)
Victoria Chase (1997)

Librarian
Susan Holmes, Librarian
Carol Landry, Asst. Librarian
Sylvia Chamberlin, Asst. Librarian
Elaine DiStefano, Asst. Librarian

Fire Department
Dale Caswell, Chief
Scott Ruesswick, Deputy Chief

Building Inspector
Open

Recreation Committee (3 Yrs.)
Mason Newick, Chairman (1998)
Kevin Hunt (1996)
Jeffrey Leidinger (1997)
Alternates:
Harold Bowley (1997)

Historic District Commission (3 Yrs.)
David Lamb, Chairman (1998)
Jeff Brillhart (1996)
Katherine Shields (1998)
Virginia Laplante (1996)
John S. Pratt, Selectmen's Representative
Alternates:
Ethel Scanlon (1996)
Steve Booth (1998)

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

State of New Hampshire

The Polls will be open from 10:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Canterbury in the County of Merrimack in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Canterbury Elementary School in said Canterbury on Tuesday, the twelfth day of March, 1996, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

FIRST SESSION

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

2. To see how the Town will vote on the following zoning amendments proposed by the Planning Board to be voted upon by official ballot:

Question 1. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #1 to the existing Town Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board? This amendment creates two (2) new districts for purposes of defining permitted uses and special exceptions and dimensional requirements, but retains the existing Center Historic District as an "overlay" district within which the Canterbury Historic District Commission will continue to have jurisdiction to review new development and expansions and changes in existing uses. The uses allowed in the two districts reflect the intent to retain a community "core" with mixed uses, while retaining uses in the surrounding "village" area which complement and enhance the values intended to be protected and furthered by creation of these districts. The amendment also makes changes in the definition of "retail uses", and adds use classifications of "service uses", "professional studios" and "civic uses".

Question 2. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #2 to the existing Town Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board? This amendment includes technical changes to Article 12 (Flood Plain) to conform to the National Flood Insurance Program, including a definition of "new construction" and requirements for submission of and availability of plans and records.

SECOND SESSION

The second session shall be held at the Canterbury Elementary School on Friday the 15th day of March, 1996, at seven o'clock in the evening to act upon the following subjects:

3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate one hundred seventy thousand dollars ($170,000) for a new volunteer fire department pumper and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate bonds or notes for one hundred seventy thousand dollars ($170,000) and to determine the rate of interest thereon, and to take such other actions as may be necessary to effect the issuance, negotiation, sale and delivery of such bonds or notes as shall be in the best interests of the Town of Canterbury, and to pass any vote relating thereto. (By ballot with 2/3vote needed to pass.) **Recommended by the Selectmen**

4. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provision of RSA 33:7 providing that any town at an annual meeting may adopt an article authorizing indefinitely, until specific rescission of such authority, the selectmen to issue tax anticipation notes.

5. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell property taken by Tax Collector Deed by public auction or sealed bid, or as justice may require after consultation with the Conservation Commission. (RSA 80:80) This authorization shall remain in effect indefinitely until rescinded.

6. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of RSA 31 :95-b providing that any town at an annual meeting may adopt an article authorizing indefinitely, until specific rescission of such authority, the selectmen to apply for, accept and expend, without further action by the town meeting, unanticipated money from a state, federal or other governmental unit or a private source which becomes available during the fiscal year.

7. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of RSA 202-A:4-c providing that any town at an annual meeting may adopt an article authorizing indefinitely, until specific rescission of such authority, the public library trustees to apply for, accept and expend, without further action by the town meeting, unanticipated money from a state, federal or other govern-

mental unit or a private source which becomes available during the fiscal year.

8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four thousand dollars ($4,000) for the repair of the roof at the Sam Lake House. **Recommended by the Selectmen**

9. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Planning Board to prepare and amend a recommended program of capital improvement projects projected over minimum periods of six years, in accordance with RSA 674:5-8.

10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate ten thou sand dollars ($10,000) for the reconstruction of Kimball Pond Dam. (Additional funds needed for the project are to be drawn from the Conservation Fund. Estimated cost is $21,000-$29,000.) **Not recommended by the Selectmen**

11. To see if the Town will vote to urge our representatives to the General Court of New Hampshire and the United States Congress to pass laws reforming electoral campaign financing, thus returning the political process to the will of the people and encouraging the participation of candidates with great ability and limited means. Measures to accomplish this may include, but not limited to, the following:

    1. Sharp limitations on all forms of contributions to candidates, including soft money contributions (contributions to political parties);

    2. Maximum spending limits per election linked to geographic and demographic makeup of each state and district, such as $1 per voter;

    3. Sharp limitations on all forms of spending to influence elections, including independent expenditures;

    4. Sharp limitations on contributions to and spending by political action committees; and

    5. Remedies, such as free broadcast time, postal subsidies, and democratic (public) financing, to balance inequities between credible candidates, incumbent and challenger, rich and poor. **By Petition**

12. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue a portion of the unnamed Town Road which provides access to the Town Industrial area. The area to be discontinued extends from West Road to the northerly boundary of the property now owned by William and Kathleen Rice. The discontinuance will take effect only upon approval of the relocation of the road by the Selectmen and Planning Board, and upon acceptance by the Selectmen of an acceptable deed which conveys appropriate title to the property for the relocated road.

13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of sixty thousand dollars ($60,000) to build a sidewalk parallel to Baptist Road from the Spruces to Kimball Pond Road and to authorize the selectmen to accept a grant from the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA) of eighteen thousand dollars ($18,000) to offset the appropriation (forty-two thousand ($42,000) to be raised through taxes.) **Not recommended by the Selectmen**

14. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this twenty-sixth day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and ninety-six.

Earl W. Hall
John S. Pratt
Priscilla Lockwood

REVENUE TO OFFSET 1996 BUDGET

	Est. 1995	Act. 1995	Est. 1996
TAXES			
Yield taxes	$ 15,000	$ 12,145	$ 15,000
Interest & penalties on taxes	50,000	37,941	50,000
Land use change tax	0	0	0
Payment in lieu of taxes	5,000	4,564	5,000
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES - STATE			
Shared revenue - Block grant	38,818	49,858	40,000
Highway block grant	53,679	53,969	53,252
Railroad tax	0	0	0
Reimb. a/c State Federal Forest Land	100	208	100
Forest Fire Reimbursement	0	130	100
Gas Tax	1,000	2,404	2,000
Recycling Grant	0	0	0
LICENSES & PERMITS			
Motor vehicle permit fees	160,000	157,986	170,000
Dog licenses	500	720	500
Pistol permits	300	540	300
Building permits	2,500	2,600	2,500
Marriage licenses	400	293	400
License Plate Fees	4,000	5,241	5,000
CHARGES FOR SERVICES			
Income from departments	2,000	2,030	2,000
Rent of town property	0	0	0
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES			
Interest of Deposits	10,000	18,121	15,000
Miscellaneous	1,000	1,609	1,000
Sale of Town Property	0	0	0
Recycling	5,000	8,173	5,000
Cemetery - Perpetual Care	0	0	0
Withdrawals from Capital Reserve	25,000	25,000	0
FUND BALANCE	120,000	60,000	60,000
	$494,297	$443,532	$427,152
Proposed Budget Total	$909,670		
Less Estimated Income	($427,152)		
ESTIMATED AMOUNT TO RAISE BY TAXES IN 1996 IS:	$482,518		

1996 DETAIL OF THE BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF CANTERBURY

	1995 Appr.	Spent 1995	1996 Appr.	Increase/ Decrease
GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
Town Officer's Salaries				
Selectmen's Salaries	$6,100	$6,100.00	$6,100	$0
Hourly Clerical Employees	24,000	24,219.43	25,000	1,000
Town Clerk Salary	1,000	1,000.00	1,000	0
Deputy Town Clerk Salary	7,000	5,630.75	7,000	0
Town Clerk Fees	7,000	3,661.50	7,000	0
Tax Collector Salary	11,500	11,500.00	11,500	0
Tax Collector Fees	2,500	1,596.05	2,500	0
Treasurer's Salary	2,500	2,500.00	2,500	0
Plate Sticker Fee	2,300	1,483.14	2,300	0
	$63,900	$57,690.87	$64,900	$1,000
Town Officer's Expenses				
Health Insurance	$2,709	$2,690.11	$2,600	($109)
Office Equip. Repairs	500	220.00	500	0
Registry of Deeds	500	487.84	500	0
Postage (All Town)	3,200	2,530.24	3,000	(200)
Selectmen's Seminars	100	64.97	100	0
Data Processing Services	2,000	1,419.04	2,000	0
Tax Map Maintenance	750	0.00	750	0
Telephone (Selectmen)	950	1,110.43	1,200	250
Printing (Selectmen & Town Clerk)	250	151.47	250	0
Printing Town Report	4,000	3,706.48	4,000	0
Office Supplies - Sel. & Tax Coll.	2,500	3,034.90	2,500	0
Office Equipment	3,500	6,098.49	3,500	0
Marriage license fees to State	300	191.00	300	0
Town Clerk & Tax Coll. seminars	400	222.50	300	(100)
Dog Tags	200	255.75	200	0
Petty Cash - C. Gordon	100	100.00	100	0
Outside Auditing Services	4,300	4,200.00	4,300	0
Town Clerk & Tax Coll. Advertising	50	31.24	50	0
	$26,309	$26,514.46	$26,150	($159)
Election & Registration Expenses				
Election & Registration Wages	$450	$265.30	$2,000	$1,550
Voter Checklists	30	0.00	225	195
Election Advertising	40	80.43	140	100
Election Misc. Supplies	345	50.00	345	0
Elec. Voting Machine (3 Yrs. Lease)	2,500	3,013.00	2,500	0
	$3,365	$3,408.73	$5,210	$1,845
Cemeteries				
Cemeteries Wages	$5,000	$5,840.10	$5,500	$500
Cemeteries Sub-contracted Help	0	0.00	0	0
Cemeteries Equipment Repairs	200	78.15	150	(50)
Cemeteries Misc. Supplies	100	100.00	100	0
Cemeteries Gasoline & Oil	200	200.00	200	0
Cemeteries Parts & Supplies	200	447.51	500	300
	$5,700	$6,665.76	$6,450	$750

1996 DETAIL OF THE BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF CANTERBURY

	1995 Appr.	Spent 1995	1996 Appr.	Increase/ Decrease
General Government Buildings				
Canterbury Center Electricity	$200	$187.83	$200	$0
Town Hall Maintenance	1,200	11.48	500	(750)
Town Hall Electricity	200	131.93	150	(50)
Town Hall Heating Oil	200	0.00	200	0
Highway/Fire Dept. Maintenance	1,500	19.00	1,500	0
Highway/Fire Dept. Electricity	2,000	1,722.57	2,000	0
Highway/Fire Dept. Heating Oil	500	656.56	500	0
Sam Lake House Maintenance	2,000	738.22	2,000	0
Sam Lake House Electricity	1,200	1,034.08	1,200	0
Sam Lake House Heating Oil	1,000	737.68	1,000	0
Police Dept. Building Maintenance	50	53.30	50	0
Police Dept. Building Electricity	500	363.91	500	0
Historical Society Maintenance	100	0.00	100	0
Historical Society Electricity	200	183.44	200	0
Police Dept. Heating Oil	500	134.12	500	0
Town Bldg. Emerg. Fund Inc., Library	2,000	0.00	3,000	1,000
	$13, 400	$5,974.12	$13, 600	$200
Reappraisal of Property				
Property Appraisals	$3,000	$1,910.00	$2,000	($1,000)
	$3,000	$1,910.00	$2,000	($1,000)
Planning and Zoning				
Planning Board Sec. Wages	$1,200	$1,005.00	$1,400	$200
Planning Board Seminars	100	0.00	100	0
Planning Board Registry of Deeds	150	52.00	25	(125)
Planning Board Prof. Services	450	0.00	400	(50)
Planning Board Postage	400	390.00	500	100
Planning Board Advertising	350	307.90	250	(100)
Planning Board Printing	450	568.35	800	350
Planning Board Supplies	150	134.00	75	(75)
Planning Board Equipment	75	0.00	50	(25)
Board of Adjustment Sec. Salary	750	618.75	750	0
Board of Adjustment Seminars	50	0.00	50	0
Board of Adjustment Postage	100	120.00	100	0
Board of Adjustment Advertising	500	317.25	500	0
Board of Adjustment Printing	0	0.00	0	0
Board of Adjustment Supplies	50	0.00	50	0
	$4,775	$3,513.25	$5,050	$275
Legal Expenses				
Attorney Expense	$5,000	$8,817.50	$5,000	$0
	$5,000	$8,817.50	$5,000	$0
Regional Associations				
N.H. Resource Recovery Assn.	$150	$104.99	$150	$0
Town Clerk/Tax Coll. Assn. Dues	50	50.00	50	0
Central NH Planning Commission	1,459	1,459.00	1,459	0
N.H.M.A. Membership	600	603.22	600	0
Assn. of Assessing Officials Dues	20	20.00	20	0
Regional/Conc. Solid Waste Co-op	20	14.19	20	0
Upper Merrimack River Comm.	50	21.25	50	0
Fed. DOT Drug Testing	0	0	200	200
	$2,349	$2,272.65	$2,549	$200

1996 DETAIL OF THE BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF CANTERBURY

	1995 Appr.	Spent 1995	1996 Appr.	Increase/ Decrease
Police Department				
Police Dept Wages	$69,000	$64,112.48	$72,000	$3,000
Police Dept Cruiser Maintenance	2,500	2,635.37	2,500	0
Police Dept Health Insurance	2,500	1,562.12	2,500	0
Police Dept Telephone	2,000	2,110.49	2,000	0
Police Dept Dispatch Svcs.	7,625	6,163.00	7,500	(125)
Police Dept Radios & Repairs	1,000	997.06	1,100	100
Police Dept Office Supplies	400	182.58	400	0
Police Dept Uniforms	600	755.10	600	0
Police Dept Gasoline	1,500	2,613.76	2,500	1,000
Police Dept Misc. Supplies	250	261.82	250	0
Police Dept Retirement	2,800	615.66	1,500	(1,300)
	$90,175	$82,009.44	$92,850	$2,675
Fire Department				
Fire Dept Reimbursement	$4,400	$4,000.00	$4,400	$0
Fire Dept Forest Fire Costs	2,000	386.30	1,000	(1,000)
Fire Dept Vehicle Maintenance	2,500	7,847.47	2,500	0
Fire Dept Training & Prevention	1,000	791.55	1,000	0
Fire Dept Dispatch Services	8,129	8,129.00	9,061	932
Fire Dept Radios & Repair	4,000	3,325.20	4,000	0
Fire Dept Misc Supplies	1,000	655.17	1,000	0
Fire Dept Gasoline & Oil	800	466.26	800	0
Fire Dept Replacement Equip	5,000	7,222.43	5,500	500
Fire Dept Office Equipment	200	237.94	200	0
Fire Dept Medical Training	1,000	585.00	1,000	0
Fire Dept Medical Supplies	2,500	1,256.20	2,500	0
Fire Dept Firefighting Equip. Maint	1,500	1,341.26	2,000	500
	$34,029	$36,243.78	$34,961	$932
Civil Defense				
Civil Defense	$1	$0.00	$1	$0
	$1	$0.00	$1	$0
Building Inspection				
Building Inspector Salary	$2,500	$2,500.00	$2,500	$0
Building Inspector Supplies	250	120.00	250	0
	$2,750	$2,620.00	$2,750	$0
Highway Department				
Highway Dept Wages	$100,000	$78,332.64	$100.00	$0
Highway Dept - Subcontract Help	5,000	5,000.00	5,000	0
Highway Dept Salt	10,000	8,340.15	10,000	0
Highway Dept Sand & Gravel	15,000	16,789.39	30,000	15,000
Highway Dept Culverts & Bridges	1,500	165.00	1,500	0
Highway Dept Road Tar	16,000	14,801.84	16,000	0
Highway Dept Road Imp. Projects	34,000	34,000.00	34,000	0
	$181,500	$157,429.02	$196,500	$15,000
General Highway Dept Expenses				
Highway Dept Equipment Repairs	$7,500	$9,819.56	$11,500	$4,000
Highway Dept - BC/BS & Disabil. Ins.	12,000	5,594.29	12,000	0
Highway Dept Telephone	500	484.72	500	0
Highway Dept Misc Supplies	800	1,167.94	800	0
Highway Dept Gasoline & Diesel	13,000	9,071.03	13,000	0
Highway Dept Tires	2,000	1,284.10	2,000	0
	$35,800	$27,421.64	$39,800	$4,000

1996 DETAIL OF THE BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF CANTERBURY

	1995 Appr.	Spent 1995	1996 Appr.	Increase/ Decrease
Street Lighting				
Street Lighting	$1,000	$907.20	$1,000	$0
	$1,000	$907.20	$1,000	$0
SANITATION				
Solid Waste Disposal				
Solid Waste Wages	$15,000	$13.992.50	$15,000	$0
Solid Waste Recycling Services	9,000	4,554.32	6,000	(3,000)
Solid Waste Repairs - Trans. & Truck	1,000	1,250.27	2,000	1,000
Solid Waste Telephone	350	443.83	300	(50)
Solid Waste Supplies	100	0.00	50	(50)
Solid Waste Electricity	500	532.65	500	0
Solid Waste Fuel Oil	200	203.11	150	(50)
Solid Waste Co-op Fee - Ash Disp.	24,000	24,274.70	26,000	2,000
Central NH Waste Dist.	1	0.00	1	0
	$50,151	$45,251.38	$50,001	($150)
Hospitals & Ambulances				
Hospital Appropriation	$700	$700.00	$700	$0
Penacook Rescue Squad	12,740	12,740.00	12,740	0
Belmont Rescue Squad	500	500.00	500	0
	$13,940	$13,940.00	$13,940	$0
Animal Control				
Dog Costs (SPCA)	$100	$337.00	$100	$0
	$100	$337.00	$100	$0
Vital Statistics				
Vital Statistics Fees	$50	$42.00	$50	$0
	$50	$42.00	$50	$0
General Assistance				
Comm. Action Program	$1,408	$1,408.00	$1,408	$0
General Assistance	5,000	2,530.41	5,000	0
Old Age Assistance	500	0.00	500	0
Aid to Disabled (VNA)	1,000	1,000.00	1,000	0
	$7,908	$4,938.41	$7,908	$0
Library				
Elkins Library Appropriation	$24,054	$24,054.00	$24,200	$146
	$24,054	$24,054.00	$24,200	$146
Historic District Commission				
Historical Dist. Sec. Wage	$500	$217.50	$500	$0
Historic Distr. Postage.	40	165.82	40	0
Historic Distr. Printing	50	58.30	50	0
Historic Distr. Supplies	10	4.20	10	0
	$600	$445.82	$600	$0
Canterbury Industrial Devel. Comm				
Canterbury Ind. Dev. Comm. Approp	$100	$0.00	$100	$0
	$100	$0.00	$100	$0
Parks & Recreation				
Recreation Comm Repairs	$450	$396.00	$450	$0
Recreation Comm Equipment	300	278.50	300	0
	$750	$674.50	$750	$0
Patriotic Purposes				
Memorial Day Expenses	$100	$75.44	$100	$0
Fourth of July Expenses	900	832.80	900	0
	$1,000	$908.24	$1,000	$0

1996 DETAIL OF THE BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF CANTERBURY

	1995 Appr.	Spent 1995	1996 Appr.	Increase/ Decrease
Conservation Commission				
Conservation Comm Dues	$125	$150.00	$125	$0
Conservation Comm Postage	75	57.33	75	0
Conservation Comm Prtg. & Adv.	50	95.50	50	0
Conservation Comm Supplies	300	0	100	(200)
Conservation Land Mgmt.	150	51.00	100	(50)
Cons. Youth Camp		100.00	100	100
	$700	$453.83	$550	($150)
Historical Society				
Historical Society Preserve Exp.	$100	$100.00	$600	$500
Historical Society Misc Supplies	0	0.00	100	100
	$100	$100.00	$700	$600
DEBT SERVICE				
Principal of Long Term Debt				
Principal Payment Fire Truck	$0	$0.00	$0	$0
	$0	$0.00	$0	$0
Interest of Long Term Debt				
Interest Payt Fire Truck	$0	$0.00	$0	$0
	$0	$0.00	$0	$0
Interest of Tax Antic. Notes				
Interest Payt Tax Antic. Notes	$3,000	$0.00	$3,000	$0
	$3,000	$0.00	$3,000	$0
FICA Retirement & Pension Cont.				
FICA Retirement	$22,500	$22,500.00	$23,000	$500
	$22,500	$22,500.00	$23,000	$500
Insurance				
Insurance	$44,000	$36,933.50	$44,000	$0
	$44,000	$36,933.50	$44,000	$0
SUB-TOTAL	$642,006	$573,977.10	$668,670	$26,664
Operating Transfers Out				
Highway Equipment	$5,000	$5,000.00	$5,000	$0
Highway Truck	5,000	5,000.00	5,000	0
Highway Grader	5,000	5,000.00	5,000	0
	$15,000	$15,000.00	$15,000	$0
BUDGET TOTAL WITHOUT WARRANT ARTICLES	$657,006	$588,977.10	$683,670	$26,664
WARRANT ARTICLES				
WA #8 Salt Storage Shed	$22,500	$18,391.48		
WA #11 Hwy. Dump Truck	9,000	8,771.00		
Cap. Res. $15,000				
WA #12 Police Cruiser	19,111	$19,111.00		
WA #13 Sam Lake Septic System	4,500	1,480.08		
WA #15 Hwy. Sander Cap. Res. 8650.		1,350.00		
WA #16 Elkins Lib. - Well	5,000	5,000.00		
WA #17 Elkins Lib. - Septic	10,000	4,215.00		

1996 DETAIL OF THE BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF CANTERBURY

	1995 Appr.	Spent 1995	1996 Appr.	Increase/ Decrease
WA #14 Prop. Reval. - Fund Balance		$18,850.00		
WA #96 - 3 Fire Truck			$170,000	
WA #96 - 8 Sam Lake House Roof			4,000	
WA #96 - 10 Kimball Pond Dam Rec.			10,000	
WA #96 - Sidewalk - Spruces to Ctr.			42,000	
Bal. ISTEA Grant $18,000				
BUDGET TOTAL WITH WARRANT ARTICLES	$727.117	$666,145.66	$909,670	
SHAKER REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT		$1,983,953.00		
REFUNDS		$12,298.01		
TAX SALES - TAX COLL.		$122,929.09		
MERRIMACK COUNTY TAX		$195,147.00		
CURRENT USE PENALITIES CONS. COMM		$36,427.00		

MINUTES OF TOWN MEETING

FIRST SESSION

March 14, 1995

The moderator, Oliver Fifield, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. A motion was made by Cheryl Gordon to dispense with the reading of the warrant. The motion was seconded.

Necessary town officers for the year ensuing were chosen by ballot and the Town voted on zoning amendments (by official ballot) proposed by the Planning Board.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m. Ballots were then counted. Results were as follows.

1995 Ballot

Selectman: 1 position 3 year
Priscilla P. Lockwood 342

Town Clerk-Tax Collector: 1 position 3 years
Cheryl A. Gordon 417

Treasurer: 1 position 1 years
Sewall G. Smith 410

Planning Board: 2 positions 3 years
James P. Bassett 333
James J. Stokes 205

Planning Board: 1 position 2 years
Laurie Rauseo 210

Library Trustees: 2 positions 3 years
Emily Eddy 353
Karla M. Roth 336

Library Trustee: 1 position 1 year
Susan J. Buchholz 241

Cemetery Committee: 1 position 3 years
Virginia W. Dudley 373

Trustee of Trust Funds: 1 position 3 years
Marcia M. Scarponi 325

Results of 1995
Proposed Zoning Changes

Question 1. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #1 as proposed by citizen petition for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend the zoning ordinance to allow retail establishments not requiring outdoor storage of goods in the Center Historic District by special exception. This use is not allowed under current zoning. **Not recommended by the Planning Board.**

Yes 134 No 295

Question 2. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #2 as proposed by citizen petition for the town zoning ordinance as follows:

Amend the zoning ordinance to allow office establishments of 2,500 square feet or less in the Center Historic District as a permitted use. This use is not allowed under current zoning. **Not recommended by the Planning Board.**

Yes 127 No 302

SECOND SESSION
(Business Portion)
March 17, 1995

The adjourned Town Meeting was opened at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, March 17, 1995, by the moderator, Oliver Fifield.

The Playground Committee and volunteers were commended for the addition that was made to our community. Tad Flagg was thanked for providing the photographs of the new playground and the Canterbury Elementary School for the cover of the Town Report.

A review of the ground rules was presented. Dan Crean was appointed as parliamentarian for the Town Meeting. The results of the balloting from the first session of Town Meeting held on Tuesday, March 14, 1995, were read by the moderator.

Earl Hall, Selectman, moved that we consider Article 9 at this time in accordance with RSA 33:8-a which states that any bonding issue exceeding $100,000 shall be acted upon prior to other business. The motion was seconded by John Pratt.

Passed unanimously.

Article 9.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred and sixty thousand dollars ($160,000) for a new volunteer fire department pumper and to authorize the selectmen to issue and negotiate bonds or notes for one hundred and sixty thousand dollars ($160,000) and to determine the rate of interest thereon, and to take such other actions as may be necessary to effect the issuance, negotiation, sale and delivery of such bonds or notes as shall be in the best interests of the Town of Canterbury, and to pass any vote relating thereto. (By ballot with 2/3 vote needed to pass.) **Not recommended by the Selectmen**

John Pratt spoke to the article explaining that the selectmen are not recommending this article because of other pertinent needs for the Town and also we are faced with the school issue which will require a large sum of money.

Dale Caswell, Fire Chief, spoke in favor of this article stating that the need for a pumper will not go away. The fire department would like to replace the 1978 K-1 fire truck which they consider an unsafe and unreliable piece of equipment. It has had many breakdowns. Dale feels that they need a four-wheel drive truck with a short wheel base to get out into Canterbury's back roads in muddy and icy conditions. He feels that those people who volunteer their services should be provided with a safe and comfortable vehicle that is easy to operate.

Don Maurer, a volunteer of the Canterbury Fire Department, spoke to the article posting a chart detailing the number and types of calls that the Fire Department makes. He explained that it takes a lot of water to put out a fire; the pumpers carry 1,000 gallons of water and the engines pump 1,000 gallons a minute; therefore in two minutes the water is gone and there are not many accessible areas in Canterbury replenish the water. He spoke in favor of the article stating that we need a four-wheel drive vehicle to travel the back roads of Canterbury.

Hugh Fifield spoke against the article; the fire department should use chains on one of the trucks to be used when the roads are bad. Hugh does not think the town can afford a new fire truck; if the new school is voted in, the taxes will be high enough.

Suzanne Dewitt spoke in favor of the article; she felt the town should have a fire truck that is easily operated by all volunteers.

Harold Street spoke against the article; he did not feel that we need it at this time.

Ellen Bassett spoke in favor of the article stating that the volunteers who show up on a fire call should be able to drive the fire truck.

John Goegel spoke in favor of the article expressing his concern for the volunteers' safety; the old truck has too many breakdowns.

Bob Scarponi spoke against the article; suggested that a reserve fund be set up to plan for a purchase in two or three years when the economy is better.

The question was moved after considerable discussion. After a 2/3 ballot vote with 228 votes cast, Article 9 was defeated by 88

no votes to 140 yes votes. 152 yes votes were required to pass.

Article 3.

To raise such money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations for the same.

John Pratt moved the adoption of this article. Earl Hall seconded.

Jim Miller questioned the increase in the Highway Department insurance line item. John Pratt explained that the town is adding a retirement plan for the Highway Department employees.

Suzanne Dewitt asked if there is any money in the budget to improve the conditions of the Town Hall. John Pratt, Selectman, explained that Robert Burroughs has bequeathed to the Town the sum of $10,000 which they hope to use for renovations of the Town Hall; a public hearing is planned for the Spring.

Dan Crean questioned the increase of the office equipment in the Town Officer's expenses and also the increase in the Library appropriation. John Pratt explained that the town office is upgrading the computer. Simon Leeming, the treasurer for the Elkins Library, explained the library is increasing the hours along with added services to the town.

After further discussion of the budget, the question was moved. The motion to accept the budget in the amount of $642,006 was voted on and passed unanimously.

Article 4.

To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of the collection of taxes for the current municipal year, and to issue, in the name of and on the credit of the town, negotiable notes therefore.

Bob Lockwood moved the adoption of this article. Mary Ellen Fifield seconded.

A vote was taken on Article 4 and passed unanimously.

Article 5.

To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell property taken by Tax Collector Deed by public auction or sealed bid, or as justice may require after consultation with the Conservation Commission. (RSA 80:42)

A correction was made in the RSA from RSA 80:42 to RSA 80:80.

Bob Scarponi moved to accept this article. Dale Caswell seconded.

A vote was taken on Article 5 and passed unanimously.

Article 6.

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for, receive and expend Federal or State grants or funds from private sources provided that a public hearing shall be held by the Selectmen prior to the expenditure of such grants and moneys.

Bob Lockwood moved the adoption of this article. Mary Ellen Fifield seconded.

Dan Crean recommended that next year the selectmen consider using the option to put in as indefinite authorizations the last three articles so that we do not have to take the time to act on them each year.

A vote was taken on Article 6 and passed unanimously.

Article 7.

To see if the Town will assume winter maintenance of the southern 3/5 mile of Wyven Road pending the installation of an approved turn-around. (Submitted by petition) **Not recommended by the Selectmen**

Ruth Heath moved the adoption of this article. Karen Withrow seconded.

The selectmen are not recommending this article because Wyven Road is a private road, not a Town road, and when the Soft Path Community Association went to the Planning Board in 1980 for their subdivision, there was a deed restriction for lot owners to maintain the road for 25 years which would bring us to the year 2005.

Greg Heath, who lives on Wyven Road, spoke in favor of the passage of this article. He explained that there are five families living on the road. When the property was sold to Soft Path, it was determined by the Town attorney that a subdivision was not required because it was a Class VI road. He asked that the Town consider assuming winter

maintenance of Wyven Road; he said that the road would be easy to maintain with the right equipment.

Mary Ellen Fifield spoke against the article; we would be setting a precedence to pass it at this time.

Bob Scarponi also spoke against the article. He felt that the road should be brought up to Town standards, including paving, before we should consider voting to maintain it.

Karen Withrow, who lives on Wyven Road, spoke in favor of the passage of this article stressing that they were only asking for winter maintenance of the road.

After discussion of the class of the road and the possibility of paying to have the road plowed in the winter and the liabilities that may incur, Bob Lockwood moved to table the motion and let the people involved work with the Town officials for a year and then perhaps come back next year with the solution that is necessary. The motion was seconded by Jim Miller.

The majority voted to table Article 7.

Article 8.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-two thousand five hundred dollars ($22,500) for the construction of a salt storage shed to be located at the Town Dump. **Recommended by the Selectmen**

Bob Lockwood moved the adoption of this article. Phil Cochrane seconded.

John Pratt explained that the 40 x 55 salt shed will be constructed at the Town Dump for the storage of salt and sand. It will be large enough for the trucks to back in to be loaded; the main idea is to remove the piles of sand and salt from the center.

Ken Stern spoke in favor of the adoption of the article stating that it will improve the appearance of the Center.

Bob Fife spoke in favor of the article.

The question was moved. A vote was taken on Article 8 and passed unanimously.

Article 10.

To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 10, Section 2, of the 1988 Town Meeting to change the percentage of revenue collected pursuant to RSA 79A (land use change tax) and deposited into the Conservation Fund from 100% to 50% in accordance with RSA 36-A;5 III as authorized by RSA 79-A;25 II. **Recommended by the Selectmen**

Bob Lockwood moved the adoption of Article 10. Briggs Lockwood seconded.

Mike O'Neil, Selectmen, spoke in favor of the adoption of this article stating that half of the revenue from the land use change tax should be going into the general fund to lower the taxes.

Ken Stern spoke against the passage of this article; the Conservation Commission is reluctant to come to the Town to ask for money and felt that the revenue collected from the land use change tax is a good way to raise money for land protection without raising the taxes.

Bob Scarponi spoke in favor of this article; he felt that 50% of the money should go into the general fund to reduce taxes.

Karen Withrow spoke in opposition of this article.

After further discussion, Article 10 was voted on and defeated.

Article 11.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate twenty-four thousand dollars ($24,000) for the purchase of a replacement truck for the Highway Department and to authorize the withdrawal of fifteen thousand dollars ($15,000) from the Capital Reserve Highway Truck Fund. The balance of nine thousand dollars ($9,000) is to come from general taxation. **Recommended by the Selectmen**

Mike O'Neil moved the adoption of this article. It was seconded by Bob Lockwood.

A vote was taken on Article 11 and passed.

Article 12.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of nine-

teen thousand one hundred eleven dollars ($19,111) for the purchase of a replacement police cruiser to be raised by general taxation. **Recommended by the Selectmen**

Phil Cochrane moved the adoption of Article 12. Larry Phillips seconded the motion.

Mike O'Neil, Selectmen, stated that the Police Department wishes to replace the 1986 cruiser which has 81,000 miles on it and is in poor shape.

Article 12 was voted on and passed by a hand count.

Article 14

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of sixty thousand dollars ($60,000) for revaluation of Town property by authorizing the use of the December 31, 1994, fund balance for this purpose. **Recommended by the Selectmen**

Larry Phillips moved to adopt Article 14. Dan Crean seconded.

Earl Hall spoke in favor of the passage of this article, stating that the Department of Revenue suggests that a revaluation be done every ten years to be sure that all properties in Town are fairly assessed.

Marcia Scarponi asked if the selectmen had selected a company to do the revaluation. Earl Hall, selectman, said they have received some bids, but a decision has not been made as yet.

After further discussion, Bob Lockwood voted to move the question. All were in favor.

A vote was taken on Article 14 and passed.

Article 15.

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars ($10,000) for the purchase of a sander for the Highway Department and to authorize the withdrawal of ten thousand dollars ($10,000) from the Capital Reserve New Equipment Fund. **Recommended by the Selectmen**

Earl Hall moved the adoption of this article. It was seconded by Bob Scarponi.

Earl explained that the Town's sander broke down in January, so the

Town has been renting one with the option to buy. Since we have already made payments amounting to $1,350, Earl moved to reduce the appropriation from $10,000 to $8,650. The motion was seconded by Bob Lockwood. The motion to amend the appropriation from $10,000 to $8,650 was passed.

A vote was then taken on Article 15 as amended and passed unanimously.

Article 16.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate five thousand dollars (5,000) to replace the existing well at the Town Library. **Recommended by the Selectmen**

Earl Hall moved the adoption of Article 16. Mike O'Neil seconded.

Sue Holmes, Librarian, explained that at the present time they use bottled water at the library; it is a public building and they need decent facilities. They have been dealing with contaminated water for some time; she spoke in favor of the adoption of this article.

A vote was taken on Article 16 and passed.

Article 17.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars ($10,000) to replace the existing septic system at the Town Library. **Recommended by the Selectmen**

Larry Phillips voted the adoption of this article. Maxine Phillips seconded.

Earl Hall spoke in favor of this article, stating that the library's septic system has been failing for a number of years and Phil Holmes is doing the design of a new one.

A vote was taken on Article 17 and passed unanimously.

Article 18.

To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

John Pratt, Selectman, asked that anyone who wished to serve on any

of the Town committees or boards, there are some openings and they should contact the selectmen.

Bob Lockwood requested that the records show the Town's appreciation to Mike O'Neil for serving on the Board of Selectmen for the last six years.

Lisa Carlson, co-chairman for the Canterbury Fair, stated that more participation is needed for the planning of the fair.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathryn Dickson for
Cheryl Gordon, Town Clerk

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK — 1995

Auto Permits 1995 - 2399 Issued	$175,351.00
Dog Licenses 1995 - 119 Issued	720.25
Marriages 1995	293.00
Vital Search - 6	158.00
Filing Fees	4.00
Correction	22.00
Petty Cash	100.00
	176,648.25
1995 Money Turned Over in 1996	21.00
	$176,669.25

Cheryl A. Gordon
Town Clerk

1995 COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

	1995 Approp.	1995 Avail.	1995 Spent	Over/ Under
General Government				
Town Officer's Salaries	63,900	63,900	57,690.87	(6,209.13)
Town Officer's Expenses	26,309	26,309	26,514.46	205.46
Election & Registration	3,365	3,365	3,408.73	43.73
Cemeteries	5,700	5,700	6,665.76	965.76
General Gov't Bldgs.	13,400	13,400	5,974.12	(7,425.88)
Reappraisal of Property	3,000	3,000	1,910.00	(1,090.00)
Planning and Zoning	4,775	4,775	3,513.25	(1,261.75)
Legal Expense	5,000	5,000	8,817.50	3,817.50
Regional Association	2,349	2,349	2,272.65	(76.35)
Public Safety				
Police Department	90,175	90,175	82,009.44	(8,165.56)
Fire Department	34,029	34,029	36,243.78	2,214.78
Civil Defense	1	1	-0-	(1.00)
Building Inspection	2,750	2,750	2,620.00	(130.00)
Highways, Streets, Bridges				
Highway Dept. Maintenance	181,500	181,500	157,429.02	(24,070.98)
Highway Dept. Gen. Exp.	35,800	35,800	27,421.64	(8,378.36)
Street Lighting	1,000	1,000	907.20	(92.80)
Sanitation				
Solid Waste Disposal	50,151	50,151	45,251.38	(4,899.62)
Health				
Hospitals & Ambulances	13,940	13,940	13,940.00	-0-
Animal Control	100	100	337.00	237.00
Vital Statistics	50	50	42.00	(8.00)
Welfare				
General Assistance	7,908	7,908	4,938.41	(2,969.59)
Culture & Recreation				
Library	24,054	24,054	24,054.00	-0-
Historical District Comm.	600	600	445.82	(154.18)
Industrial Dev. Comm.	100	100	-0-	(100.00)
Parks & Recreation	750	750	674.50	(75.50)
Patriotic Purposes	1,000	1,000	908.24	(91.76)
Conservation Comm.	700	700	453.83	(246.17)
Historical Society	100	100	100.00	-0-
Debt Service				
Int. Pay't Tax Anticipation	3,000	3,000	-0-	(3,000.00)

	1995 Approp.	1995 Avail.	1995 Spent	Over/ Under
Operating Transfer Out				
Capital Reserve:				
Highway Equipment	5,000	5,000	5,000.00	-0-
Highway Truck	5,000	5,000	5,000.00	-0-
Highway Grader	5,000	5,000	5,000.00	-0-
Miscellaneous				
FICA	22,500	22,500	22,500.00	-0-
Insurance	44,000	44,000	36,933.50	(7,066.50)
Capital Outlay				
WA-95-8 Salt Storage Shed	22,500	22,500	18,391.48	(4,108.52)
WA-95-11 Highway Dump Trk. (Cap. Res. $15,000)	9,000	9,000	8,771.00	(229.00)
WA-95-12 Police Cruiser	19,111	19,111	19,111.00	-0-
WA-95-13 Sam Lake Sep. Sys.	4,500	4,500	1,480.08	(3,019.92)
WA-95-14 Reval. of Town (Fund Bal.)				
WA-95-15 Highway Sander (Cap. Res. $8,650.00)			1,350.00	1,350.00
WA-95-16 Elkins Lib. - Well	5,000	5,000	5,000.00	-0-
WA-95-17 Elkins Lib. - Septic	10,000	10,000	4,215.00	(5,785.00)
	727,117	727,117	647,295.66	(79,821.34)

TOWN OF CANTERBURY
LONG TERM INDEBTEDNESS
STATEMENT OF DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS

December 31, 1995

None for the year of 1995

SUMMARY OF TAXABLE PROPERTY

Land	$16,715,687.
Buildings	45,743,670.
Public Utilities	1,050,350.
Manufactured Housing	58,400.
Total Gross Valuation	$63,568,107.
Less Elderly Exemptions	$275,000.
Solar Exemptions	81,600.
Blind Exemptions	60,000.
Physically Handicapped Exemptions	17,200.
Net Valuation on which Tax is Computed	$63,134,307.
Loss Due to Veteran's Exemptions (118)	$11,800.
Loss Due to Total Disability (3)	$4,200.

Town Tax Rate	$ 3.86
County Tax Rate	3.06
School Tax Rate	34.65
Per $1,000 Valuation	$41.57

Current Use Land

Values before application of Current Use	$23,564,016.
Values after application of Current Use	16,679,674.
Assessed Value Lost	$ 6,884,342.
Number of acres granted for Current Use Exemption	16,563.97

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall, land and buildings	$126,900.00
Furniture and equipment	500.00
Library, land and buildings	77,150.00
Furniture and equipment	20,000.00
Police Department Building	21,600.00
Contents	500.00
Garage and Fire Station	247,550.00
Contents	4,000.00
Historical Building	57,200.00
Contents	10,000.00
Sam Lake House and buildings	89,600.00
Contents	5,000.00
Town Dump, land & improvements	23,500.00
Brick and Frame Bandstand	9,700.00
04.021.002 Industrial Site	19,700.00
14.017 Worsted Church Lot	2,250.00
04.015 LO w/s Intervale Road (Gift)	27,150.00
Land owned by Conservation Commission:	
TM# 08.020 Land on e/s Route 132	800.00
015.013 Land on e/s Abberton Road (Gift)	6,300.00
08.041 Land on Kimball Pond (Gift)	4,750.00
11.014 LO e/s Abbott Road	11,600.00
12.016 LO Whitney Hill Road	5,050.00
12.028 LO Spendor Meadow	2,700.00
21.017 LO w/s Shoestring Road	2,850.00
11.027.001 LO s/s Baptist Road	300.00
Land acquired through Tax Deeds:	
TM# 02.001 LO Shore of New Pond	7,650.00
02.022 LO Canterbury Shore Drive	2,300.00
02.137 LO Friar Tuck Road	2,300.00
02.141 LO Friar Tuck Road	2,500.00
02.148 LO Robin Shore Drive	2,200.00
02.150 LO Robin Shore Drive	2,200.00
12.027 LO Spendor Meadow	4,300.00
11.035 LO SS Baptist Road	7,200.00
07.046 LO off ES Borough Road	10,550.00

02.049.002 LO 34-36 Blue Boar Lane	3,350.00
12.020 LO Spendor Meadow	700.00
01.004.001 LO n/s Intervale Road	3,850.00
02.334 LO Island New Pond	200.00
02.335 LO Island New Pond	300.00
02.252 LO Nottingham Road	2,050.00
02.288 LO Nottingham Road	200.00
02.280 LO Gilmanton Road	2,100.00
02.318 LO Blue Boar Lane	1,150.00
04.008 LO ES Intervale Road	12,550.00
10.005 LO ES Briar Bush Road	31,200.00
11.031 LO off Baptist Road	6,400.00
11.032 LO off Baptist Road	6,400.00
02.152 LO Robin Shore Drive	1,900.00
13.007 LO e/s Misery Road	6,550.00
16.015 LO e/s Whitney Hill Road	3,600.00
17.004.002 LO off Route 106, Rocky Pond	1,700.00
02.204 Canterbury Shore Drive	8,250.00
02.231 Canterbury Shore Drive	1,800.00
02.333.002 Flowage & Dam Rights	1,000.00
01.011 LO n/s Intervale Road T/L	100.00
01.012 LO n/s Intervale Road T/L	150.00
18.002 LO e/s Route 106, s/s Shaw Road	300.00
02.133 23 Friar Tuck Road	2,350.00
04.071 LB n/s Northwest Road	13,550.00
17.004.019 LO off Rte. 106	3,600.00
17.004.014 LO off Rte. 106	14,000.00
17.004.007 LO off Rte. 106	1,300.00
17.004.012 LO off Rte. 106	2,250.00
TOTAL:	$950,700.00

BALANCE SHEET
Year Ending December 31, 1995

Assets

Cash in hands of treasurer		$ 859,920.00
Cash in hands of selectmen		19,103.50
Sam Lake Income Account		1,154.18
Capital Reserve Funds:		
Highway Equipment		19,208.95
Highway Trucks		5,988.18
Revaluation		1,254.87
Road Grader		10,300.00
Conservation Commission Land Fund		73,230.74
Dump Transfer Station		29,045.11
Unredeemed Taxes:		
Levy of 1994		71,990.61
Levy of 1993		25,119.16
Levy of previous years		12,899.62
Uncollected Taxes:		
Levy of 1995		275,482.08
Levy of previous years		15,814.36
Allowance for Uncollectable Taxes		(60,000.00)
TOTAL ASSETS		$1,360,511.36

Liabilities

Encumbrances:		
Repairs to Historical Society Bldg	$ 1,000.00	
Landfill Closure	46,925.00	
Transfer to Conserv. Land Fund	2,290.00	
Town Buildings	2,000.00	
Salt Storage Shed	4,108.52	
Sam Lake House Septic System	3,019.92	
Elkins Library Septic System	5,785.00	
Revaluation	$60,000.00	$ 125,128.44
Sam Lake Income Account		1,154.18
Conservation Commission Land Fund		73,230.74
Due to School District		983,689.00
Capital Reserve Funds		65,797.11
TOTAL LIABILITIES		1,248,999.47
Excess of assets (Unreserved surplus available to reduce 1996 tax rate)		111,511.89
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY		$1,360,511.36

TREASURER'S REPORT — 1995

Receipts:	
Tax Collector	$2,823,450.92
Town Clerk	175,669,25
Municipal Agent	5,241.00
NH Highway Subsidy	51,019.67
NH Add'l H'way Subsidy	2,949.50
NH Reimb. Lands	208.43
NH Gas Tax Refund	2,403.72
NH Revenue Sharing	49,857.59
NH Forest Fire Reimb.	130.20
NH Rooms/Meals Tax	13,962.84
Bd. of Adjustment Hearing	112.50
Current Fees	40.00
ZBA Fees	219.68
Building Permits & Renewal	2,600.00
Pistol Permits	540.00
Building & Zoning Ordinances	72.75
Planning Board Fees	900.00
Sub Division Fees	464.00
Interest on Investments	18,121.08
Use of Copier	26.50
NSF Check charges	161.41
Police Reports	195.00
Other Income	1,609.36
Recycled Waste	5,436.31
Transfer Station Fees	2,736.50
Gift in Lieu of Taxes	4,564.00
RP Burroughs Legacy	(1,800.00)
TOTAL RECEIPTS 1995:	$3,160,892.21
Balance on Hand January 1, 1995	$845,036.38
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE:	$4,005,928.59
LESS:	
Selectmen's Orders Paid	$2,787,997.38
Tax Liens	122,929.09
Land Change - Conservation Comm.	36,427.00
Undistributed	1,958.00
NSF Checks ret'd	550.12
County Tax	195,147.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	$3,145,008.59
Balance on Hand December 31, 1995	$860,920.00

CONSERVATION TRUST FUND
Balance December 31, 1995

Shawmut Bank	
Money Market Account	$64,055.74

SAM LAKE INCOME FUND
Balance December 31, 1995

Shawmut Bank	
Money Market Account	$1,154.18

NHIS GIFT (for Youth)
Balance December 31, 1995

First NH Bank	
Certificate of Deposit	$15,000.00

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

The Town portion of taxes has been kept under control and the Selectman can only thank all the departments for helping in keeping their commitments.

The storage building, located at the town recycling area is almost completed. Sand and salt for Canterbury roads, during winter months is now being stored at this location.

A portion of Intervale Road was widened and paved this past year. Thanks to the road crew for a job well done!

The Sam Lake House septic system has been replaced and well within the budget.

License plates can now be obtained from the Town Clerk at the Canterbury Office.

Repairs to the Town Hall are in process and will continue into 1996. Many thanks to the Burrough Family for their contribution.

Due to the concerns of the majority of Canterbury residents, the U.S. Post Office will remain at the Canterbury Country Store.

The 911 emergency program has begun in Canterbury. All calls for emergency help from the fire department, ambulance or the police will be responded to by dialing 911. Canterbury has a new police officer, Charles Duclos, who began in June.

In July, residents were entertained by the Amoskeag Strummers Band at the Gazebo.

On Sunday, July 23rd, a group of French Canadian People in costume representing The Third Crusade (1187) came through Canterbury on their way to Quebec. The colorful riders and performers stopped in the Canterbury Center and performed for our community. The Selectmen greeted the group, read a proclamation and presented them with a copy of our Town Seal.

Again, we thank the Town Office Staff, Employees, various boards and their members and especially the many volunteers who contribute their time to the service of our community.

Respectfully submitted,

Earl W. Hall, Chairman
John S. Pratt
Priscilla Lockwood

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1995

DEBITS

	1995	Levies of: 1994	1993	Prior
Uncollected Taxes - Beg. of Year:				
Property Taxes		$284,530.31		
Resident Taxes				$ 2,380.00
Land Use Change		1,680.00		850.00
Yield Taxes		3,821.58	$52.70	7,830.08
Taxes Committed - This Year:				
Property Taxes	$2,636,621.00			
Land Use Change	10,665.00			
Yield Taxes	15,326.26			
Overpayment::				
Property Taxes	1,306.11	229.63	23.00	48.00
Yield Tax Int.		165.60		
Interest Collected on Delinquent Tax	3,039.24	14,311.85		51.12
TOTAL DEBITS	$2,666,957.61	$304,738.97	$75.70	$11,159.20

CREDITS

	1995	Levies of: 1994	1993	Prior
Remitted to Treas. during FY:				
Property Taxes	$2,353,804.52	$278,603.17		
Land Use Change	8,375.00	300.00		$ 500.00
Yield Taxes	12,145.13			
Interest	3,039.24	14,311.85		51.12
Yield Tax Int.		165.60		
Overpayment	1,306.11	229.63	$23.00	48.00
Abatements Made:				
Property Taxes	12,715.07	5,279.05		
Yield Taxes	90.46			
Interest Abatement		648.09		
Uncollected Taxes - End of Year:				
Property Taxes	270,101.41			
Resident Taxes				2,380.00
Land Use Change	2,290.00	1,380.00		350.00
Yield Taxes	3,090.67	3,821.58	52.70	7,830.08
TOTAL CREDITS	$2,666,957.61	$304,738.97	$75.70	$11,159.20

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES/TAX LIEN ACCOUNTS
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1995

DEBITS

	Tax Sale/Lien on Account of Levies of:			
	1994	**1993**	**1992**	**Prior**
Unredeemed Liens Balance at Beg. of Fiscal Yr.		$78,422.96	$36,163.35	$7,948.13
Liens Executed During Fiscal Yr.	$122,929.09			
Interest & Costs Coll. After Lien Execution	7,309.48	5,789.93	6,274.35	999.65
Interest Abated	285.09	408.58		
TOTAL DEBITS	$130,523.66	$84,621.47	$42,437.70	$8,947.78

CREDITS

Remittance to Treasurer:				
Redemptions:	$ 50,938.48	$48,024.80	$26,910.34	$4,301.52
Int./Costs (After Lien Execution)	7,309.48	5,789.93	6,274.35	999.65
Interest Abated	285.09	408.58		
Abatements of Unredeemed Taxes		5,279.00		
Unredeemed Liens Bal. End of Year	71,990.61	25,119.16	9,253.01	3,646.61
TOTAL CREDITS	$130,523.66	$84,621.47	$42,437.70	$8,947.78

Report of the Trust Funds, Summary of Principal, Income and Investments for the Town of Canterbury on December 31, 1995

Name & Purpose of Trust Fund	PRINCIPAL					INCOME				
	Bal. at Beginning of Year	New Funds Created	Capital Gains (Losses)	With-drawals	Bal. at End of Year	Bal. at Beginning Year	Income During Year	Expend. During Year	Bal. End Year	Total Principal & Income
Nonexpendable Trusts:										
Benjamin Whidden — Cong. Church	200.00				200.00	7.17	11.71	7.17	11.71	211.71
Lucia Elkins — Library Books	4,000.00				4,000.00	143.31	234.14	143.31	234.14	4,234.14
Lucia Elkins — Library Repairs	1,000.00				1,000.00	35.83	58.53	35.83	58.53	1,058.53
Frank Drew — Library Unrestricted	3,000.00				3,000.00	107.48	175.60	107.48	175.60	3,175.60
Arthur & Mary Mudge — Library	424.00				424.00	15.19	24.82	15.19	24.82	448.82
Perpetual Care — Cemetery Lots	21,025.00	100.00			21,125.00	10,970.05	1,808.02	5,005.36	7,772.71	28,897.71
Cemetery Improvements	6,225.00	50.00			6,275.00	(111.96)	345.44		233.48	6,508.48
Lucia Elkins — S&W Poor	6,987.00				6,987.00	8,900.21	897.77		9,797.98	16,784.98
John Kezar — School District	3,702.10				3,702.10	278.99	224.97	137.70	366.26	4,068.36
Thompson Memorial	500.00				500.00	721.73	69.04		790.77	1,290.77
Benevolent Fund — Glasses/Dental	700.00				700.00	1,636.55	132.04		1,768.59	2,468.59
Canterbury Youth Fund	751.00				751.00	1,425.89	123.01		1,548.90	2,299.90
	48,514.10	150.00			48,664.10	24,130.44	4,105.09	5,452.04	22,783.49	71,447.59
Expendable Trusts:										
Capital Reserve Funds—										
Highway Equipment	20,000.00	5,000.00		8,650.00	16,350.00	1,565.05	1,293.90		2,858.95	19,208.95
Highway Trucks	15,000.00	5,000.00		15,000.00	5,000.00	375.74	612.44		988.18	5,988.18
Revaluation						1,183.84	71.03		1,254.87	1,254.87
Transfer Station	20,000.00				20,000.00	7,401.05	1,644.06		9,045.11	29,045.11
Road Grader	5,000.00	5,000.00			10,000.00		300.00		300.00	10,300.00
	60,000.00	15,000.00		23,650.00	51,350.00	10,525.68	3,921.43		14,447.11	65,797.11
Totals	108,514.10	15,150.00		23,650.00	100,014.10	34,656.12	8,026.52	5,452.04	37,230.60	137,244.70

1995 HISTORICAL SOCIETY REPORT

1995 was a successful and extremely active year for the Canterbury Historical Society. Early in year the board added the advisory position of curator to its ranks. Ginger Laplante became the first curator, in recognition of the invaluable work and knowledge she has provided to the society in the past.

The Historical Society organized five evening programs with lectures varying from the history of White Mountain Huts to the History of Women's Fashion and a Halloween special on ghosts. The programs were interesting and well attended. A special thank you should be extended to Steve Andriks whose ceaseless search for suitable programs made many of the programs a reality. In addition the society organized a photograph identification session with potluck supper in May. Many of the older residents of Canterbury came to this event to share their meal and their knowledge enabling us to put descriptions with previously unidentified photographs in our collection.

The Elizabeth Houser Museum featured a special exhibit on one room school houses. This exhibition was open to the public on the Open House dates. During the months of July, August and September the society experimented with opening the Museum on Saturday mornings to make it more accessible to the public. Special thanks to Grace Taylor and Ginger Laplante who volunteered to staff the museum on these mornings. In addition the society organized a well attended special reunion of one room school house alumni in August.

It has been a productive year for some of our special projects. Great strides have been made in the Cemetery Project under the skillful leadership of Pat Andrews. To date nine cemeteries have been recorded and four or five are in the progress of being recorded. The project gathers and processes information regarding graveyards, their location, make.up, and gravestones. The Oral History project is also making headway, with Ethel Scanlon interviewing residents of Canterbury, whose memories are an important addition to our understanding of the history of this town.

1995 ended with a change in the make-up of the board of the

Historical society. Steve Andriks retired as President, but will remain on the board as a Trustee and program director. Trustees Norma Smith and Jessie Tichko also retired from the board. A big thank you should be extended to all of them for all their great work!! At the same time the society would like to welcome some very competent, enthusiastic, and energetic new board members: Jennifer Kreis and Bill McAllister have joined the board as Trustees.

As the society looks forward to a new year, I want to thank Board members Society members, and townspeople who have actively supported the Historical Society in 1995. Your time, energy, and commitment greatly contributed to our ability to preserve Canterbury's past.

Sylvia Vegter-Shephard

President
Canterbury Historical Society

1995 HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION REPORT

During 1995 the Historic District Commission focused its attention on the completion and regulations to implement the ordinance for the Center Historic District. In addition, the commission held hearings and issued approvals for additions and new construction in the Center Historic District and the Shaker Historic District.

As discussion focuses on existing uses and potential future needs of the Center, the commission, along with the other Boards in town, has functioned as a sounding board to feelings and input it receives from the citizens of Canterbury. The public is always welcome to contribute ideas, or attend meetings to express their views based on architectural direction and landscape/open space concerns.

The commission thanks Ruth Mann, who served valiantly as past chairman of the commission and who's energy and insight was much appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,
David Lamb, Chairman

ELKINS LIBRARY
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES — 1995

1995 has been a busy year at Elkins Library. Circulation continues to increase about 15% per year, having almost doubled since 1989. (See graph below.) In response to community requests, the library is now open every Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to noon, and the Wednesday hours have been extended to 8:00 p.m.

Major repairs have been made in the installation of a new well and septic system, solving previous serious problems.

Programs designed to serve children and adults were given throughout the year. In February the librarians visited elementary grades 3 through 6, promoting 1995's Great Stone Face Books. The children kept track of the books each read. Those who read the most books were awarded prizes of T-shirts during April's National Library Week. This year's winners, grades 3 through 6 respectively, were Jennifer Prospere, Keri Stevens, Solomon Hafer, and Chloe Dahlborg. The children also voted for their favorite book; the state winner is "Junie B. Jones and the Stupid Smelly Bus" by Barbara Park.

Over 40 children participated in the summer reading program, Saddle Up a Good Book, enjoying stories, crafts, and songs of native Americans, the Old West, and from pioneer days. Pat Spaulding's puppet show, "Coyote, Crow, and Buffalo," wrapped up the program. The library was fortunate to receive a grant from the N.H. State Library's Kids, Books, and the Arts.

July brought Mary Ann Quinn's program about Laura Ingalls Wilder. Upper grade children learned of her life and made quilted tote bags.

At the Canterbury Fair the library sponsored a magic show by B. J. Hickman, given on the library lawn.

During November the librarians visited grades 1 and 2 at the elementary school, reading to the children and giving them library cards and book marks. The annual Christmas Open House in December brought children and parents to the library for visits with Santa, (again, thank you, Art Landry!), cider and cookies, and the making of crafts.

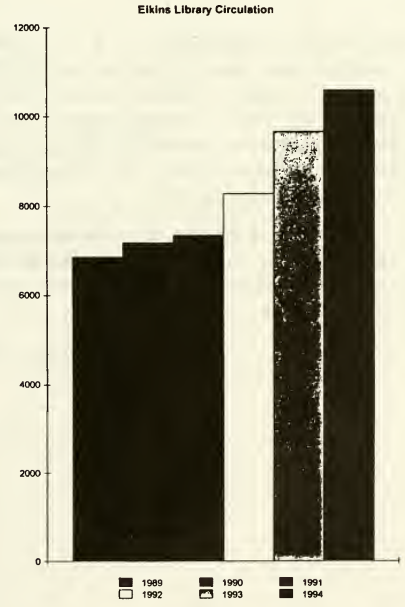
The monthly story hour is an ongoing program.

Adult programs included Sue Holmes's book talk to the Ladies Benevolent Society in February. Ruth Mann gave a delightful talk on Blooming Summer Flowers in May. That month, also, Cynthia Olson spoke to interested parents on college applications. In October the library with the Historical Society presented Norm Gauthier's program on haunted houses.

With the increase in hours, the library turned to Jan Hutchinson for more help. When she found she could not continue, Elaine DiStefano joined us. We are sorry to lose Jan, but at the same time welcome Elaine. Volunteers are an enormous boon to the library; without them much of the workload would be much more difficult.

Respectfully submitted,

Emily Eddy, Chairman



LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

January 1, 1995 through December 31, 1995

Total Circulation of materials: 11,085

Adult Fiction	3,437
Adult Non-Fiction	764
Youth Fiction	4,719
Youth Non-Fiction	622
Audio Cassettes	803
Video Cassettes	710
Magazines	168

Materials Purchased in 1995	
Adult Fiction	150
Adult Non-Fiction	61
Youth Fiction	210
Youth Non-Fiction	64
Audio Cassettes	26
Video Cassettes	31
Donations	182

Elkins Library has had a successful year and the circulation of books and materials has again shown an increase. The inter-library loan service is steadily growing and has more than doubled from last year due to the computer link up with the New Hampshire State Library's Automated Service. The circulation of videos has also increased dramatically over last year as borrowers of all ages enjoy our growing selection.

Fortunately, we also had a number of volunteers assisting with programs, filing, shelving books and with the book sale. We greatly appreciate their effort as well as the many donations of books, gifts and community support.

Susan Holmes, Director

ELKINS PUBLIC LIBRARY
Treasurer's Report — 1995

Expenses:	
Employee Costs	$14,646.76
Books/Periodicals/Videos	5,097.96
Equipment/Supplies	1,048.78
Repairs/Maintenance	1,187.05
Electric	657.82
Telephone	873.70
Oil	516.55
Postage	253.00
Dues/Education	717.32
Misc.	538.70
Total Expenses	$25,537.64
Income: Balance on Hand	– 0 –
Town Appropriation	$24,054.00
Interest	103.79
Subtotal derived from Town	$24,157.79
Trust Fund	301.81
Book Fair	856.80
Fines	318.40
Copier	319.00
Promotions	5.00
Reimbursements	8.97
Gifts/Donations	162.14
Grants	75.00
Interest (non-Appropriation)	80.00
Subtotal Raised Trustees	2,127.12
Total Income	$26,284.91

ELKINS HOLDING ACCOUNT

Initial Adjusted Balance	$7,053.93
Income Raised Trustees	2,127.12
Subtotal	9,181.05
Applied to Deficit	-1,379.85
Final Balance	$7,801.20

RITA BRASKIE MEMORIAL FUND

Donations	$2,010.00
Interest	4.24
Final Balance	$2,014.24

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT — 1995

Again, in the last year we have had excellent citizen response in reporting suspicious vehicles and persons. Remember to contact the police if you observe a suspicious vehicle or person in your vicinity. Anytime we are called, we will be glad to investigate immediately and get back to you with the results. If at all possible, get the registration plate of the vehicle and always give direction of travel. If vehicle is parked, give direction it is headed in.

I can't emphasize enough the importance of having your house number where it is visible from the roadway. Either mailbox or post reflector numbers are the best, especially if the Officer answering your call is not familiar with your exact location.

If you are having someone housesit or babysit, make sure that the sitter knows not only the road or street name, but the house number as well. It is very frustrating for us to try and find a location without at least this basic information. Also, it would be helpful if the caller knew the names of the neighbors on each side of your residence, as sometimes the Officer may recognize one of those names, while not recognizing the callers name. All of this may seem unimportant to you, but when you call us, I have to believe you want the quickest response possible and by doing your part, it will help you to obtain this response.

We are having problems with persons calling dispatch and giving partial information on an incident, plus no call back phone number. Sometimes when we do receive a call back number, the line is not kept clear to receive our call. We have cellular phone's, so you should get a call back within minutes if you will keep the line clear.

Hopefully, with everyone's co-operation, we can keep Canterbury the safe, healthy place to live that it has always been.

Chief Harry Heath
Canterbury Police Department

REPORT OF THE CANTERBURY FIRE AND RESCUE

Canterbury Fire & Rescue is a volunteer organization whose job it is to preserve life and property in the Town of Canterbury. To complete this mission we are trained and equipped to suppress residential and commercial structure fires. We maintain a rescue capability using the "Jaws of Life", air bags, and other extrication and stabilization aids. We fight brush, field, and forest fires, and address a full range of medical emergencies with our EMT's, paramedics, and First Responders. Medical emergency calls are an ever increasing part of our service to townspeople, as are off-the-road rescues involving skiers, snowmobiles, mountain bikers and hikers.

Our workload has increased dramatically in the last few years; but fortunately, our membership has also increased. Twenty members now volunteer their time to train, maintain equipment and respond to calls. However, during the daytime hours of the work week, the number of people able to respond to calls is limited. We have found that by purchasing modern, state-of-the-art technology, we are able to perform effectively with fewer people. In an attempt to stay current and replace outdated equipment, we came before the town in 1994, and again in 1995, with a proposal to purchase a piece of apparatus that will allow one or two individuals the ability to deliver a full range of emergency services. The unit to be replaced is failing to do the job asked of it; it is unsafe to operate. We spent over $6000. in repairs this year. Of equal concern to our department is the fact that the pumper was out of service for a month—broken down and of no use to us in an emergency. Our need is great. Let's invest Canterbury tax dollars in equipment that will give us good service right here in town for many years to come.

Our Needs Committee determined exactly what services we provide, and how we delivered them. The results indicate the need for a four-wheel drive, highly maneuverable, compact and efficient vehicle. This rescue-pumper will be able to negotiate Canterbury's muddy and icy, narrow dirt roads. We have long been in need of a truck that can squeeze through narrow, snow-banked roads and tight driveways. Increasingly, homes are being

built farther off the road in woodland settings or fields that are threatened by forest fires; our new unit will be equipped with class A foam as a fire suppressant, providing a capability we've never had before.

By our volunteer nature, we save ourselves as taxpayers upwards of $70,000 each year in wages and compensation. We ask only that you show your confidence in us by supporting our proposals at town meeting time.

Respectfully submitted,

Chief Dale Caswell

1995 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CANTERBURY PLANNING BOARD

Continuing to reflect the state and regional economies, the Canterbury Planning Board's activity in 1995 showed a slight increase. The Planning Board approved a number of new subdivisions and also approved several site plans for nonresidential developments.

The Planning Board, with the cooperation of the Board of Selectmen and Conservation Commission, negotiated the donation to the Town of the "Big Meadow" together with a conservation easement in connection with a subdivision of the Stanton Noyes' property on Route 132. The Board expresses its sincere appreciation to the Noyes family for this generous contribution to the preservation of open space land in Canterbury.

A dominant activity for the Planning Board which will continue into 1996 is the update of the Plan for Tomorrow (Master Plan). The Master Plan is the primary planning tool for the Planning Board and for other Town Boards and Officers. It will form the basis for recommended zoning changes and will likely include a capital improvements component to guide future Town Meeting decisions on needed major improvements. (The Selectmen and Planning Board are also considering whether to formally establish a Capital Improvements Program by having the 1996 Town Meeting adopt an authorizing warrant article.)

The Planning Board sent a survey to community households in the fall of 1995 asking for input on the future of Canterbury and presented the results of that survey at an informational public hearing in November. During December and proceeding on into the early months of 1996, subcommittees (data, housing, commercial development, preservation of conservation and agricultural land, and capital improvements and community facilities) will be looking at components of the Master Plan.

Any person interested in working with the Planning Board on any of these subcommittees is urged to contact a Planning Board member. Following Town Meeting, the Planning Board expects to present its initial proposal for the update at a public hearing. The Planning Board will then assess the data and comments and pro-

ceed to finalize its update of the Plan for Tomorrow.

As of the time that this report is being prepared, the Planning Board is considering whether to propose zoning amendments for consideration at the Annual Meeting in March. One amendment may propose technical changes to our flood plain zoning requirements to conform to federal program changes. A second amendment might address the location of civic uses such as a post office or other governmental facility. Lastly, the Board may also propose certain revisions to the Center Historic District. Any amendments will be subject to at least one public hearing prior to Town Meeting and will be voted on by official ballot.

The Planning Board meets at the Sam Lake House on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month at 7:30 p.m. Its meetings are open to the public and all are welcome to attend. Persons who wish to submit applications to the Board or who otherwise would like to be on a meeting agenda should contact the Planning Board Clerk, Nancy Lilly. Speaking of Nancy, the Planning Board is very indebted to her for the excellent work she provides in taking minutes of our meetings and serving as the Planning Board's administrator. The Town is very lucky to have someone as capable and helpful as Nancy to serve in this important role.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel D. Crean, Chairman

Planning Board Members

James Bassett, Vice-Chair	[Term expires 1998]
Graham Chynoweth	[Term expires 1997]
Daniel Crean, Chair	[Term expires 1996]
Laurie Rauseo	[Term expires 1997]
Dale Spaulding	[Term expires 1996]
James Stokes	[Term expires 1998]
John Pratt, Selectman, ex officio	

Alternates:

Michael Capone	[Term expires 1996]
Ronald Corriveau	[Term expires 1997]
Frank Rivet	[Term expires 1998]

TOWN OF CANTERBURY
ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
1995 REVIEW

Case Number	Applicant	Appeal	Decision
1995-1	Wm. & Bea Nelson	Variance Front Setback	Granted
1995-2	Karen Robichaud	Special Exception Family Daycare	Granted
1995-3	Powers/Dumaine	Special Exception Modular Home Sales	Granted
1995-4	Lawrence Crowe	Special Exception Photography gallery & Studio	Granted
1995-5	Steve & Susan Booth	Special Exception Accessory Apartment	Denied
1995-6	Edwin West, Jr.	Special Exception Home Woodworking Shop	Granted
1995-7	Laurie Rauseo	Special Exception Consulting Engineering Firm	Granted
1995-8	Paul & Pamela Mercier	Special Exception to increase number of children allowed to attend existing preschool & kindergarten	Withdrew Application
1995-9	Norman & Linda Beaudet	Variance Front & Water-to-Dwelling Setbacks	Granted
1995-10	Francis Dow	Special Exception Vehicle Repair Garage	Denied
1995-11	David Lamb	Special Exception Enlargement of existing woodworking shop	Granted

REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Canterbury Conservation Commission goals and duties are to identify and conserve the natural areas in keeping the town's rural character.

In 1995 goals were set to complete more conservation projects such as:

- Finalizing Land Protection Easements
- Tree Plantings at Rural and Conservation Sites
- Assisting the finalization of the Fish and Game's Morrill Mill Pond Acquisition
- Ongoing maintenance of existing Conservation Sites. (Need more volunteers in this area.)

OTHER LONG TERM COMMITMENTS INCLUDE:

- Intervale and Riverland Projects; Maintenance of trail systems at the Riverlands Ox-Box Pond area. Our Grant Application could complete this project
- Continuing Easement monitoring; Reviewing the list of town owned delinquent tax properties
- The town's trail system (Need more volunteers in this area as well)
- Continuing the "Soucook River Greenway Association" with abutting towns
- Monitoring fill and dredge permits and assisting applicants
- Kimball Pond dam repairs (this may be pending on warrant article for 1995)

This year we will partially sponsor a student aged 14-18 to attend the Youth Conservation Camp in June. The camp is sponsored by the Society For The Protection Of NH Forests. Any interested student should contact Bob Fife at 783-4416 by May 10th.

Thank you to all my Commission members and alternates for their dedication this past year, as well as town officials and volunteers who helped in 1995.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert S. Fife, Chairman
Conservation Commission

1995 REPORT OF THE CENTRAL NEW HAMPSHIRE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

329 Daniel Webster Highway
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The Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission (CNHRPC) is a voluntary association of 20 towns and the City of Concord in Merrimack and Hillsborough Counties. The Town of Canterbury is a member in good standing of the Commission.

Our mission is to improve, through education, training, and planning assistance, the abilities of the municipalities of the region to prepare and implement municipal plans; to prepare a plan for effective and appropriate development and utilization of the resources of the region; and to assist municipalities in carrying out the regional plan.

Member communities receive a variety of planning services, including telephone consultations on planning issues; planning research; sample ordinances, regulations, and planning documents; models; data and access to data sources; review and comment on planning documents; development review, and educational programs. Membership also entitles a community to below market cost planning services such as master planning assistance, GIS mapping, and grant preparation. During 1995, our services in Canterbury included:

- adopting the Affordable Housing Assessment
- adopting the Regional Transportation Improvement Program, the capital improvement plan for transportation in the region
- preparing a regional planning commission Representative Handbook
- helping communities in the Central Region access special federal transportation funds
- supporting the efforts of community representatives engaged in planning for the Contoocook, Merrimack, and Soucook River.

- presenting educational programs at our quarterly Commission meetings [topics: radon, Canterbury Shaker Village, and innovative septic systems]
- preparing and distributing a comparative analysis of zoning ordinances in the region and preparing an exclusionary zoning summary for each community.
- creating a zoning amendment calendar to assist Towns with the amendment process

For additional information, please contact Bill Klubben, Executive Director or your Town Representatives to the Commission, Daniel Crean and Dale Spaulding.

UPPER MERRIMACK RIVER LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE — ANNUAL REPORT 1995

The Upper Merrimack River Local Advisory Committee (UMRLAC) began 1995 with an aggressive workplan consisting of key actions from its *Management and Implementation Plan.*

The UMRLAC, a state established local advisory committee, had identified as one of its key actions in the plan, a water quality monitoring program for the upper Merrimack River. With the enthusiasm of the committee and the experience of committee member and NH DES aquatic biologist Steve Landry, members decided to go forward with the project. The UMRLAC, like other local advisory committees, had no means of supporting a project beyond the work of its volunteers. Recognizing this, the UMRLAC, in cooperation with the Merrimack River Watershed Council (MRWC) and the NH Department of Environmental Services (NH DES,) entered into a unique cooperative agreement to monitor water quality on the upper Merrimack River.

Both agencies have been assisting volunteer water quality monitoring projects by providing training and loaning equipment. The cooperative agreement between the three parties, the first of its kind, was drafted and signed and the Upper Merrimack Monitoring Project (UMMP) was born.

Initially the project includes sites from the Pemigewasset and Winnipesaukee Rivers in Franklin to the confluence of the Contoocook and Merrimack Rivers in Boscawen. The ultimate goal is to extend the project through Concord to Bow. In July of 1995, a shoreline survey was completed and seven sites chosen. From the late summer into the late fall, water samples were collected at these sites by volunteers every other week for ten weeks. The samples were processed at no charge by the Franklin Waste Water Treatment Plant. Rock baskets were also placed at each site for six to eight weeks. These wire baskets contain artificial substrate (uniformly sized and shaped rocks). During that time, macroinvertebrates (aquatic insects) colonize the rocks. The baskets are retrieved and the insects are collected and preserved. Upon identification, their quantity, health and diversity provides an accurate picture of the river's health. Identification sessions are currently being held throughout the winter at Franklin High

School. Training is provided at no charge and all are welcome to attend.

In July, the UMRLAC sponsored a canoe outing and picnic. Other committee activities included participation on the Concord Study Committee for river related planning by the city, and review of instream flow rules being developed by the NH DES as well as permit applications and other proposals affecting the river.

Plans for 1996 include continuation and expansion of the Upper Merrimack Monitoring Project. At this writing the committee has applied for a grant to purchase supplies and equipment to assure the project's future. The UMRLAC is working with the Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission to develop a model for river communities to recognize and adopt key actions of the *Management and Implementation Plan* in their master plans and town and city ordinances. An Adopt-a-Stream Project and nonpoint source education workshops are also slated. A river clean-up day is currently being organized and is planned for the summer.

The UMRLAC meetings are held on a rotating basis in the six represented communities. The committee meets the second Monday of each month at 7:30 PM. For more information contact Michele Trembly, chairperson, at 796-2615 or your local representatives listed below.

Ann Clement	753-6695
Steven Lowe	783-9201

VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN OF CANTERBURY

The Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association continues to offer three major health services to the residents of Canterbury: Home Care, Hospice and Primary Care.

Home Care services respond to the health care needs of those patients with acute or chronic illnesses that require skilled professional and para-professional care so they may return to or remain in their homes. Emphasis is on promoting independence and maximum functioning of the patient within the least restrictive setting.

Hospice services provide professional and para-professional services to the terminally ill patient with a limited life expectancy. The goal is to enhance the quality of the patient's remaining life by helping he/she remain at home in comfort and dignity. Emphasis is on pain and symptom management and skilled intervention to meet the patient's special physical, emotional and spiritual needs.

In April of 1994 Hospice expanded its services to provide residential care with the opening of New Hampshire's first Hospice House. To date, this house has provided a home to approximately 101 terminally ill residents.

Primary Care and Preventive Services expanded from a health promotion and prevention focus to Family Health Center focus. The focus provides healthcare in a whole-life approach that means treating the individual from birth to senior adulthood. The Family Health Center services include family-centered medical care, preventive care, adult and senior health, child health, Baby's First Homecoming, immunizations for all ages, school linked clinics, parent education and support, Family Planning and Women's Health, obstetrical care, health education, nutritional counseling, HIV/AIDS counseling and testing, Mental Health Services and Sexually Transmitted Disease testing and treatment.

The Family Health Center offers 24 hours/day, 7 days/week service including physician care, hospital admitting privileges, and

other care generally offered through a medical office setting. It is a joint initiative between Concord Hospital and Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association and it is an educational site for the NH/Dartmouth Family Practice Residency Program. Primary care physicians (from Concord Hospital's new Family Practice Residency Program), graduate education medical students (residents), registered nurse practitioners, registered nurses, social workers and other staff provided primary care to more than 7,800 clients in FY 95.

Health Promotion services focus on the low and marginal income families and individuals to prevent illness by professional assessment and screening for health risks and needs, by early intervention to prevent, eliminate, or minimize the impact of illness and/or disability, and by anticipatory guidance and health teaching. Emphasis is on promoting healthy children, families and individuals through early intervention and health teaching. Services rendered in the clinic setting are: child health, prenatal, family planning, sexually transmitted disease, adult screening, immunizations, and HIV (AIDS) testing and counseling. Home visits are made in crisis situations or when needed health care cannot be given in the clinic. Senior health services are provided at congregate housing sites.

Professional and para-professional hourly home services are provided on a private fee-for-service basis. Health education and instruction are part of each home visit or clinic visit.

Anyone in Canterbury may request service; patient, doctor, health facility, pastor, friend or neighbor. All requests are answered, but continuing home care will only be provided with a physician's order.

A call to Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association (224-4093) is all that is necessary to start services or make inquiries. The CRVNA office is open Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. A nurse is on call for hospice and home care patients; (224-4093) 4:30 p.m. – 7:30 a.m. daily.

Federal regulations specify a charge is applicable to all visits. Fees are scaled for the individual without health insurance and/or who is unable to pay the full charge. However, to fee scale, fed-

eral regulations require a financial statement be completed by the patient or responsible person. Town monies subsidize those visits that are scaled or that no fee is collectible.

This agency is certified as a Medicare/Medicaid Provider, licensed by the State of New Hampshire, accredited by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO) and is a member agency of the United Way of Merrimack County.

Total visits made during October 1, 1994 through September 30, 1995:

	No. of Clients	Visits
Home Care/Hospice	39	1,846
Health Promotion/ Family Health Center	98	334
Total	137	2,180

Services to Children at Oddessey House
4 Adult Bereavement Support Groups
2 Children Bereavement Support Groups
6 Hospice Volunteer Training Groups
2 Bereavement Volunteer Training Groups

1995 CEMETERY REPORT

During the past year many improvements have been made to our cemeteries. About thirty cemeteries were worked on clearing brush and trees, restoring stonewalls, replacing, repairing and resetting existing monuments.

Due to the efforts of Bill McAllister and Phil Stone outlying cemeteries were located that had been neglected for some time. New maps have been made by Bill showing the locations of all Canterbury cemeteries.

The Cemetery Commission had part of Maple Grove Cemetery asphalted which is a great improvement.

Coinciding our work with the Historical Society we should have a more updated status of our cemeteries, making it easier for people doing genealogy work. Our thanks to the many interested people in this project.

We can indeed, all be proud of our cemeteries and its dedicated workers.

Virginia W. Dudley

CANTERBURY SHAKER VILLAGE
1995 REPORT

A series of December snow storms kept the Village from setting record attendance for the year. Nevertheless, over 65,000 visitors enjoyed a visit to the museum.

The Village's building preservation program made significant gains in 1995. In September we celebrated the grand opening for the Syrup Shop, Garden Woodshed and Gardens. Steven Foster, nationally recognized herbalist and author, delivered the keynote address for 150 donors, staff, volunteers and guests. A few weeks later, the Dwelling House cupola was successfully lowered to the ground by crane operator Jim Reed, so that necessary structural repairs can begin on the Dwelling House.

Special events were notable in 1995 for good weather and strong attendance from Wood Day in May through Harvest Day in October. The Canterbury community provided excellent support for a new event, the spectacular Circus Smirkus, a Vermont-based circus by kids for the young at heart of all ages. The Halloween Party organized by staff member Shery Hack and Board member Ellen Bassett became an annual event and drew nearly 500 adults and children.

The season climaxed with a fund-raising concert organized by Board member Lucia Kittredge and staff member Cynthia Hunt. The Boston Camerata premiered an inspirational program of Shaker choral music at the grand opening of The Capital Center for the Arts in Concord. Ticket proceeds from a full house (over 1,200 people) contributed funds for the Dwelling House restoration.

The Village continued to progress in its long-term goals to preserve the historic Shaker buildings, provide educational services to a growing public and reduce longterm indebtedness. All of these achievements are the result of hard work and support from hundreds of staff, volunteers and members, many from the Town of Canterbury. Thank you for your support.

Scott T. Swank, President
Canterbury Shaker Village

HISTORY OF THE CANTERBURY TOWN HALL (Meeting House)

The charter for the Town of Canterbury was executed by John Wentworth, Lieutenant Governor and Commander in Chief over the province of New Hampshire, on May 20, 1727. This document contained, among other things, several requirements that had to be fulfilled by the original proprietors in order for them to be able to keep the property deeded to them in the charter. First, within three years, seventy homes had to be built, with a family settled in each one. Also within this time frame, each home had to have at least three acres of land cleared for farming. Each proprietor, whether he settled in Canterbury or not, had to agree to pay his fair share of expenses for the new settlement as often as was necessary. Second, a meeting house for the public worship of God had to be built within four years. The third and fourth requirements dealt with the disposition of the land of any delinquent proprietor and also the reserving of some land for a school and a minister.

In May of 1731, a committee was chosen to arrange for the building of a meeting house, and in July of 1731, it was voted to leave the size of the building to this committee's discretion.

By a petition dated February 25, 1741-42, Samuel Adams and Thomas Young (agents for the proprietors) indicated to Governor Benning Wentworth that the inhabitants were doing fairly well and had constructed a meeting house. It is believed that the meeting house they referred to in this petition was a log structure that was located about one half of a mile south of the Center and was believed to have been used for worship from around 1736. In June of 1736, the sum of fifty pounds was approved to support a ministry until March of the following year. Much later, at the annual meeting held in 1744, the proprietors voted to build a fort with the funds originally intended for construction of a meeting house. At this time, they also voted to postpone the construction of the meeting house until the following year. The settlers were ap-

parently not too concerned with Indian hostilities prior to this time until the start of King George's War in 1744. During the various wars between the French and English during this period, marauding Indians on the side of the French caused the construction of a fort to become a priority. The next meeting to address the issue of the meeting house was held in 1750 at the residence of Captain Jeremiah Clough. This was not a regular annual meeting but it apparently spurred some action on the meeting house issue. In 1752, one hundred acres of common and undivided land of the proprietors was sold at auction to a James Lindsey for 320 pounds. These newly raised funds would be used for building the meeting house. The records show that the structure was not officially "accepted" until 1756. However, it is believed that the annual meeting of 1753 was held at this meeting house, now known as the Canterbury Town Hall. After "acceptance" of the meeting house, a committee was formed to lay out the "pew ground" and sell it at "public vendue". The sale took place at the home of Samuel Moore and each purchaser had to construct his own pew in a workmanlike manner within 2 years. The funds from this sale of "pew ground" were used to complete the inside detail work of the structure, which included a pulpit, a parsonage pew and other interior finishing.

The meeting house we now know as the Town Hall still stands as the only public structure from our town's colonization period. It is a treasured historical reminder of the struggles endured by the pioneers of this land. Looking forward, we can only hope that future generations of residents will continue to respect and preserve this wonderful reminder of our modest beginnings.

Respectfully submitted,

Sylvia Vegter-Shephard
President
Canterbury Historical Society

(The source for this report was Lyford's History of The Town of Canterbury, first published in 1912.)

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF CANTERBURY, N.H.

For the Year Ending December 31, 1995

Date	Place	Name of Child	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
1/11/95	Concord	Katherine Emily Riendeau	Peter Elliott Riendeau	Linda Jane Blackey
1/12/95	Concord	Leanna Jean Travis	Mark Lewis Travis	Brenda Jean Howland
2/22/95	New London	Oliver Devos Meeh	Gregory William Meeh	Hillary Lee Nelson
3/14/95	Concord	Madison Colby Van Cleave	Andrew Lane Van Cleave	Lynn Allison Barry
3/28/95	Concord	Austin Damian Holton	Stedman Woodbury Holton	Patricia Ann Previe
3/30/95	Concord	Kayli Bernice Ennis	Christopher Richard Ennis	Traci Lynn Hanscom
4/7/95	Concord	David Stephen Rauseo Jr.	David Stephen Rauseo	Laurie Margaret Hagan
4/15/95	Concord	Katelyn Christina Drew	Andrew Braxtion Drew	Janet Lee Daneault
4/18/95	Concord	Katelyn Louise Bailey	Mark Leon Bailey	Angela Louise Ellington
5/8/95	Concord	McKenzi Averi Phelps	Brian Earl Phelps	Karen Ellen Guilbeault
6/5/95	Concord	Liam Francis Sullivan	Eugene Francis Sullivan III	Ruth Annette Beal
6/26/95	Concord	Travis Wayne Miracle	Bradley Wayne Miracle	Heather Lynn Patterson
7/11/95	Concord	Cindy Lee Maxfield	Frank Arnold Maxfield	Kerri Etta Lamprey
7/31/95	Concord	Jared Joseph Clough	Thayne Lenwood Clough	Diane Oliane Dumont
8/23/95	Concord	Zachary Dustin Powell	Glen Dustin Powell	Jacqueline Marie Rose
9/27/95	Concord	Hannah Finn Drew	Robert Nelson Drew	Carla Sue Moyer
9/27/95	Concord	Rebecca Rachel Drew	Robert Nelson Drew	Carla Sue Moyer
10/27/95	Concord	Henry Charles Arlinghaus	Charles Michael Arlinghaus	Maelynn Neyhart
11/3/95	Concord	Emma Kennedy Hendryx	Mark Kennedy Hendryx	Nancy Hope Walker
11/30/95	Canterbury	Hugh Alexander Liles	Hugh Alan Liles	Debra Ann Alexander
11/30/95	Concord	Drake Andrew Parker	Stacy Allen Parker	Kimberly Rose Laroche

I hereby certify that the above return is correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

CHERYL A. GORDON, Town Clerk

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF CANTERBURY, N.H.

For the Year Ending December 31, 1995

Date	Name of Groom and Bride	Place of Residence
1/21/95	Ernest H. Bourassa III	Canterbury, NH
	Kristine M. Timmins	Canterbury, NH
2/4/95	John B. Hoover	Canterbury, NH
	Linda J. Donaher	Canterbury, NH
3/4/95	Dennis W. Cox	Canterbury, NH
	Lisa Marie Shaw	Canterbury, NH
5/21/95	Sylvester J. DeMaggio Sr.	Concord, NH
	Barbara M. DeMaggio	Canterbury, NH
5/27/95	James H. Valz	Canterbury, NH
	Eileen M. Peterson	Canterbury, NH
6/15/95	Leroy Walter Sargent	Canterbury, NH
	Charlene Marie Chubbs	Concord, NH
7/21/95	Robert Dennis Denison	Canterbury, NH
	Jane Lorraine Vallee	Canterbury, NH
8/5/95	Michael Edward Latham	Los Angeles, CA
	Jennifer Joan Briggs	Los Angeles, CA
8/12/95	Steven Mark Lundahl	Canterbury, NH
	Kathryn Rose Southworth	Canterbury, NH
10/14/95	John Francis Fritzky	Canterbury, NH
	Heather Lynn Miller	Canterbury, NH
10/21/95	Thomas Edward Moore	Canterbury, NH
	Linda Marion Hassan	Canterbury, NH

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CHERYL A. GORDON, Town Clerk

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF CANTERBURY, N.H.

For the Year Ending December 31, 1995

Date	Place of Death	Name of Deceased	Name of Father	Name of Mother
1/6/95	Canterbury	Roland O. Fifield	Oliver J. Fifield	Estelle Philbrick
1/16/95	Canterbury	Harvey M. Crawford	Elmer W. Crawford	Marion D. Crawford
1/21/95	Canterbury	Wesley A. Nelson	William A. Nelson	Gladys Mae Walker
2/12/95	Concord	Mildred M. Meeh	Auguste DeVos	Marceline M. Flourac
3/20/95	Concord	Frank E. Kimball Jr.	Frank E. Kimball Sr.	Hazel Derry
5/1/95	Concord	Carolyn Sue Fox	Raymond Hatch	Anna Sheahan
7/31/95	Hampden, Mass.	Rita Mary Braskie	John P. Morgan	Helen N. Fox
9/11/95	Canterbury	Hilda C. Holm	Birger Swanson	Emma Landstrom
9/11/95	Concord	Louise F. Roers	Arthur Rogers	Eugenie Laronge
12/9/95	Canterbury	Gerard Godbout	Adelard Godbout	Georgianna Dubreuil
12/13/95	Concord	Charles Carroll Williams	John Williams	Alma Carpenter
12/18/95	Laconia	James Elbridge Hardy Jr.	James Elbridge Hardy Sr.	Unknown

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CHERYL A. GORDON, Town Clerk